

# SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN: Examples of SHORE FISHING OPPORTUNITIES

These are just a few suggestions to get you started!



## LENAWEE COUNTY

- Globe Pond – Shore fishing in city park from mowed bank, regularly stocked with channel catfish. Located north of M-50 on the east side of Tecumseh off Eastern Street.
- Lake Hudson – Shore fishing and wading in State Recreational Area near boat launch area. Off M-156 two miles south of M-34, east of Hudson.
- Burr Park Pond – Pier and shore fishing in Adrian City Park.

## LIVINGSTON COUNTY

- Island Lake – Shore fishing in Island Lake Recreation Area, Oak Township.
- Maltby Lake at Huron Meadows Metropark – ADA fishing pier in Green Oak Township accessible by ramp or stairway.
- Spring Mill Pond – Shore fishing around pond, annually stocked with trout in Island Lake Recreation Area. Not ADA.

## MACOMB COUNTY

- Lake St. Clair
  - Brandenburg Memorial Park on Jefferson Avenue in New Baltimore. Boardwalk pier with safety railings (some boards more than one inch apart).
  - Metro Beach Metropark – Shore fishing on inland bays and waterways as well as direct access to Lake St. Clair, Harrison Township.
- Stony Creek Impoundment (Stony Creek Metropark) – Shore fishing around lake via a paved walkway. Fishing pier near boat launch.

## MONROE COUNTY

- Lake Erie
  - Bolles Harbor (Hoffman Memorial) – LaPlaisance Road exit off I-75, City of Monroe. About a quarter mile past DNR boat launch entrance. Ramped concrete fishing walkway with safety rail.
  - Luna Pier – Concrete walkway with easy access from a blacktop parking lot. Off I-75 at Luna Pier Road.
  - Plum Creek – Detroit Edison Monroe Generating plant angler access site off Front Street just before power plant gate. Fishing platforms, parking and restrooms. Fast current area. Open April 1 thru October 31.
  - Pointe Mouillee State Game Area – Fishing pier at end of Roberts Road. Located over water equalization tubes about 200 yards beyond gate that allows walk-in access only. Berlin Township.
  - Sterling State Park (Monroe) – Located off Dixie Highway on the north side of Monroe. Inland lagoons with shore fishing and piers as well as access to Lake Erie backwater areas.
- Swan Creek – Located at the intersection of Newport Road and Dixie Highway, east of I-75, Berlin Township. Wooden fishing platform along creek. Handicap parking, gravel lot and accessible restroom.

## OAKLAND COUNTY

- Bald Mountain Recreation Area
  - Graham Lakes – Fishing pier off Harmon Road with low railings for anglers in a wheelchairs. Some help may be needed to reach pier.
  - Lower Trout Lake – Fishing pier in park area off Greenshield Road west of Lapeer Road, Orion Township.
- Cass Lake (Dodge State Park No. 4) – Accessible fishing pier off parking lot just past boat access site. Picnic facilities nearby.
- Crooked Lake (Independence Oaks County Park) – Two semi-accessible fishing piers with picnic tables. Piers have no railings, only a curb around the perimeter. Located two and a half miles north of I-75 off Sashabaw Road in Independence Township.
- Highland State Recreation Area, Highland Township
  - Alderman Lake – North of M-59. A fishing pier is available at the access site.
  - Lower Pettibone Lake – Two miles south of M-59 off Milford Road. An 80 foot pier situated over a productive weed line at the boat launch.
- Holly Recreation Area, Groveland Township
  - Heron Lake – fishing pier near boat launch.
  - Wildwood Lake - A 50 foot long, T-shaped pier is located on the north shore near the boat launch.
- Kent Lake (Kensington Metropark) – A T-shaped pier on the southwest shore and three smaller piers further along. Handicap access is via a paved bike/hike trail leading from the parking lot. Lots of shore fishing areas around the lake.
- Lake Sixteen (Orion Oaks County Park) – A 168 foot semi-accessible fishing pier located off Joslyn Road south of Clarkston Road, Orion Township. Boat launch also located at this site.
- Pontiac Lake Recreation Area
  - Pontiac Lake - Williams Lake Road north off M-59 to Gale Road west to entrance. Two fishing piers with handicap access via long, paved walks. Also shore fishing outside Recreation Area at end of Tackles Drive off Gale Road.
- Seven Lakes State Park
  - Dickinson Lake – Two miles northwest of Holly. Fishing pier located near launch site along short trail.
- Thelma Spenser Park (Rochester Hills) – Located on John Road near South Boulevard on a large pond of about 10 acres. Fishing pier with a canopy partially covering it. Wheelchair accessible picnic tables available.

## ST. CLAIR COUNTY

- 40<sup>th</sup> Street Pond, Port Huron Township – Pond with piers designed for easy access for all. South off Lapeer Road on 40<sup>th</sup> Street.
- St. Clair River (fast current at all sites)
  - Port Huron – Concrete walkway with railing along river at Bluewater Bridge.
  - Port Huron at Black River – Concrete walkway with railing just north of the mouth of the Black River.
  - Algonac – Waterfront park off M-29. Five and a half foot wide walkway along the river.
  - St. Clair County, Clay Township – Located off M-29 in Pearl Beach area. Ramped 12 foot wide walkway with railings along the deep water portion.
  - City of St. Clair - Riverfront Park.
  - Marysville (gravel lot) – Located at the Detroit Edison Plant just north of Gratiot Road. Ramped eight foot wide pier located behind the offloading piers and ice barrier. Open April thru October.
- Belle River
  - Memphis Park – Memphis City Park with shore fishing and river access.
  - Gratiot Road Park – Small park off Gratiot Road east of river crossing with shore fishing and river access.
- Mill Creek
  - Yale – County park with shore access to the creek for fishing, canoeing, etc. On Sayles Road just southwest of M-19.

## WASHTENAW COUNTY

- Barton Pond – Shore fishing in Ann Arbor City Park, off Huron River Drive west of Main Street.
- Geddes Pond – Shore fishing in Ann Arbor City Park (Gallup Park). South of Geddes Road, west of US-23.
- Huron River at Hudson Mills Metropark – Shore fishing access via trails at several locations throughout park.
- Pinckney Recreation Area
  - Bruin Lake – Fishing pier in campground off Hadley Road north of North Territorial Road, Lyndon Township.
  - Silver Lake – Fishing pier and shore fishing. Pier is across grassy area next to parking lot with no walkway provided. Off Silver Hill Road north of Townhall Road, Dexter Township.
  - Crooked Lake – Older wooden pier on small lake. West off Silver Hill Road, Dexter Township.
- Rolling Hills County Park – Pond with shore fishing and fishing piers in County Park with other facilities available also. Stony Creek Road north of Bemis Road, Ypsilanti Township.
- Waterloo Recreation Area
  - Crooked Lake – Fishing pier in Waterloo Recreation Area. East off Loveland Road north of Cavanaugh Lake Road, Sylvan Township.

## WAYNE COUNTY

- Belleville Lake, Van Buren Township.
  - DNR access site. Concrete shore fishing walkway is located at DNR boat launch on Huron River Drive east of Belleville Road on the lake's south side. Some assistance may be needed for handicap access due to slope on boat ramp leading to walkway.
  - French Landing access – Township shore fishing boardwalk off Haggerty Road at east end of lake. Not handicap accessible.
  - Rawsonville Road – Township operated small boat access with two fishing piers at west end of lake.
- Detroit River
  - Belanger Park – Off Jefferson Avenue south of Rouge River and east one mile to Detroit Edison River Rouge Power Plant. Parking, restrooms, boat launch, and 600 foot of barrier-free shoreline fishing access.
  - Belle Isle, Detroit side – Pier is ramped. Accessible nature center and sensory hiking trail for the visually impaired.
  - Delray Power Plant Site – recently upgraded boat and shore fishing access just north of Zug Island.
  - Elizabeth Park - One mile south of Trenton next to Grosse Isle south bridge. Shore fishing.
  - Riverfront Park, City of Ecorse – fishing pier on river.
  - Harrison Street Park, Trenton – fishing pier on river.
  - Bishop Park, Wyandotte – fishing pier on river.
- Huron River at Lower Huron Metropark – Fishing boardwalks next to river at three locations. North end of park just south of Huron River Drive, in East Bend Picnic Area, and near south end of park north of Waltz Road.
- Newburgh Lake - An impoundment on the Middle Rouge River with shore fishing allowed off park property.
  - Sumac Point – Long pier accessed via chip trail from parking lot. Parking off Edward Hines Drive, first turnoff west of Newburgh Road.
  - Edward Hines Park – Ramped pier at park building with paddleboat rentals and canoe launching. Located off Edward Hines Drive a short distance west of Newburgh Road.
- Sherwood Lake – Township park with fishing pier and shore fishing located in Sumpter Township off Sherwood Road north of Wear Road.
- Wilcox Lake – Fishing pier off Wilcox Road operated by Wayne County Parks & Recreation Department.
- Lake Erie
  - Point Mouillee State Game Area – Shore fishing near game area headquarters off Campau Road around gravel parking lot near boat launch.
  - Lake Erie Metropark – Shore fishing along inland waterways and fishing deck at marina channel exit to Lake Erie. Handicap access from marina parking lot, walking access from park proper.